

Holiday Toll Light as Cars Crowd Highways

Critical Defense Steel Supplies Will Be Frozen

Stockpiles Will Be Used for a 'limited Period'; More Layoffs Seen

PITTSBURGH (AP)—The government intends to freeze certain critical steel supplies for a while to keep defense production unhampered as long as possible during the nationwide steel strike, already hurting other segments of the nation's economy.

An order instituting the freeze has been drawn up, and will be issued tomorrow, taking effect Friday. It is expected to remain in force for only a limited period, possibly no longer than two weeks.

The action is designed to channel to defense producers selected steel items now stockpiled in warehouses, assuring continuance of the vital national defense program for the longest possible time.

Meanwhile, Independence Day brought a lull in the wave of layoffs and business cutbacks across the country resulting from the four-day-old strike of 650,000 United Steelworkers members against 90 per cent of the basic steel industry.

Unemployment in allied industries stands at nearly 47,000. The figure is expected to climb sharply the rest of the week.

Tomorrow federal mediators will confer here separately with both sides in "exploratory" sessions aimed at reviving deadlocked contract negotiations.

Joseph F. Finnegan, head of the (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

The 4th at Roundup City

Pageantry Highlights Girl Scout Spectacle

Some 5,000 Girl Scouts in encampment at the national roundup near Milford togged themselves out in their finest uniforms today to celebrate the Fourth of July.

A patriotic observance will call the delegates into Roundup City's natural amphitheater this afternoon

in the Highland State Recreation Area, campsite for girls from each of the 48 states and other parts of the world.

The program will include a salute to the girl troops from U. S. Air Force and Navy planes flying in formation overhead. Among the highlights of the ceremony will be the award of a prize to Jo Anne Warden of Lubbock, Texas, winner of the Girl Scouts National Essay contest.

Guests at today's ceremonies will be Dr. Lillian Gilbreth, mother in the best-selling book and the movie, "Cheaper by the Dozen"; Jacqueline Cochran, aviatrix and cosmetics manufacturer; Charlton Heston, motion picture star, and Enid Haupt, editor of Seventeen magazine.

Miss Warren will read her prize-winning essay, "What America Means to Me" in the arena ceremony this afternoon. Jo Anne arrived at the all-state encampment Tuesday afternoon.

Before the pageant Jo Anne is to be honored at a luncheon. At that time she will be given the title of "Miss Young America in Girl Scouting" by Mrs. Enid Haupt for Seventeen magazine.

Other honored guests, camp officials and the mayors of Detroit, Pontiac and Milford have been invited to attend.

The spectacle in the arena, directed by Mrs. Martha Coe of New York City, will feature a massing of the colors.

Over 150 American flags, as well as all the state flags, will be carried onto the grassy stage by representative Scouts from each troop. Music and a verse speaking choir will also be featured.

Exhibits in the Administration area will be open all day. Demonstrations of skills and regional games and folklore took place between 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. Camp tours will be conducted throughout the day.

Political Rivals Kill Each Other

Oklahoma Sheriff and Election Winner Duel in Courthouse

STILWELL, Okla. (AP)—Sheriff Chester Crittenden and the man who apparently beat him for his job in yesterday's primary election shot and killed each other last night in the courthouse jail.

Eleven persons reportedly saw Crittenden and Bob Alberty draw guns and shoot it out.

There was no known motive. County Atty. Owen Grant said there apparently had been no ill feelings between the two men.

Grant said Alberty had defeated Crittenden in the election.

But the county election board quit counting ballots after two precincts were in. At that time, Alberty was leading almost 2-1, 246 votes to 48.

Both men ran as candidates on the Democratic ballot. Crittenden had served one term previously.

Algerian Rebels Killed

ALGIERS (AP)—French authorities today reported 39 nationalist rebels killed in two roundups in widely separated areas of Algeria.

First Independence Day in American Colonies



SPRIT OF '76—The atmosphere in the American colonies on the first Independence Day, 180 years ago, is conveyed in the above color drawing by Associated Press artist Ed Gunder. The change from colonial status to affirmation of the right to independence is symbolized by the two signs in the doorway. The "king's" sign has been taken down. In its place, up goes the sign of "The United Colonies." Under the name is a quotation from the Declaration of Independence. That historic document was passed by the Continental Congress July 4, 1776.

The Boston Tea Party, one of the significant acts of defiance during the pre-Revolutionary days, is recognized by the inclusion of a box marked "tea," and a ship in the background.

The "United Colonies" were not united unanimously, however. England had her Loyalist supporters in those days and right through the Revolution. The red-coated figures represent them.

Almost two centuries later, the Declaration of Independence still stands as one of the great documents of all time, and still serves as an inspiration to men not yet free and independent.

Police Vigilance Raised as Nation Celebrates 4th

Cool Weather Expected to Cut Road Casualties During Observance

County traffic officials this morning were rubbing their eyes and wondering if their calendars were right.

There have been no traffic fatalities so far during the traditionally murderous Independence Day rush to holiday areas.

And police at Pontiac, Redford and Romeo State Police posts, Pontiac Police, the Oakland County Sheriff's Department and Waterford Township Police reported only two injury accidents since 6 p. m. yesterday.

A forecast of cool, cloudy weather with thunderstorms is expected to cut down the expected high toll of Michigan lakes, which took 22 lives over last year's three-day holiday. State traffic deaths mounted to 18 as 407 died on the nation's highways.

This year, a national toll of 130 is predicted by the National Safety Council, but with the outgoing rush nearly completed, only 24 traffic deaths have been reported in the United States.

Eight drownings and three miscellaneous deaths have been counted.

In Michigan, three traffic deaths have been reported. Last year's three-day holiday was marred in Oakland County by a triple-fatal highway crash, a drowning and the death by heart attack of a man leading in a county lake.

FINGERS CROSSED

Area law enforcement officials, their fingers crossed in hopes of continuing the near-perfect traffic record in the county, will continue their heavy road patrols today and tonight.

Police today also were optimistic that the predicted cool, rainy weather will cut down number and length of holiday auto trips.

According to the National Safety Council, last year's figure of 805 violent deaths was the biggest over-all holiday death toll in the nation's history.

An Associated Press survey, taken for comparative purposes during the 30-hour period from 6 p. m. June 19 to midnight June 20, showed a death toll of 66 in traffic, 21 drownings and 21 deaths in miscellaneous accidents.

The National Safety Council says the normal highway death toll for a Wednesday in July is about 80.

Where Tall Corn Grows



KNEE HIGH BY FOURTH OF JULY—Corn belonging to Albert Kessler, 55801 Grand River, New Hudson, is not only knee high to suit the old proverb but this picture shows the stalks are well over three feet tall. Kessler is naturally competing in the second annual corn contest sponsored by the Oakland County Cooperative Extension Service. He hopes to win hands down!

Recommends Immediate Building Program

Judge Moore Tells of Children's Home Crowding

Possible temporary and long-range solutions to the overcrowding problems at the Oakland County Children's Home have been advanced by Probate Judge Arthur E. Moore.

In a letter to the County Board of Supervisors, Judge Moore has outlined the past history and problems of the Home, and revealed some of the conditions concerning Home officials.

Judge Moore pointed out the Home was built in 1928 and intended to care for 20 children. At present, he said, the main building houses 137 children, with 20 boys at Camp Oakland and 26 smaller children in two cottages. Children at the home generally

are wards of Juvenile Court, Judge Moore said, and cannot be placed in boarding homes, other institutions, or on probation.

In addition, he said, the home should be able to care for additional children on an emergency basis, since it is a receiving center for children needing shelter.

On some weekends, he said, "We are confronted with 15 or 20 children who are brought to the home at all hours of the night and must be housed and sheltered and cared for until some other disposition can be made."

With 137 children in the home, Judge Moore pointed out, there are 57 boys over the home's normal capacity. They are now pe-

ing housed by doubling room capacity in every possible instance, using roll-away beds in halls and dining rooms, and placing mattresses on the floor.

Crowding has forced conversion of recreational facilities to dormitories and classrooms, the letter

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continues. As a result, there is no room in the home for anything except sleeping, eating in shifts, and classroom activity.

A temporary solution, Judge Moore believes, must include living quarters for at least 35 boys and adequate additional staff to care for and supervise them.

At a recent Board of Supervisors meeting, supervisors heard Mrs. Helen Roberts, chairman of the Juvenile Committee, recommend that the Contagious Hospital be used for this purpose.

Supervisors received without action a report suggesting the merger of the Contagious Hospital with the Tuberculosis San-

atorium, freeing the hospital building for "other county uses."

A permanent solution to the problem, Judge Moore continued, must allow for an expected increase in the home's needs. He estimates that in five to 10 years facilities will be needed for the care of 350 children.

New buildings must be provided, the Judge said, for sleeping facilities for 128 children. It "would seem wise," he said, to provide additional cottages and some dormitory space for this purpose.

Acute problem cases, the Judge advocates, should be housed in other cottages similar to those now in use. He urges a cottage capable of handling 15 incorrigible children

and 15 mentally disturbed cases.

Recreation and activities rooms now in use as classrooms should be converted to their original uses, the Judge believes, and nine new classrooms and additional vocational schoolrooms should be built.

Other added facilities should include an all-purpose room, staff personnel and psychiatrists' consulting and clinical service rooms, and kitchen and dining space, he said.

Urging "an immediate building program" after a survey of the home's needs, Judge Moore asked to present the problem to a committee of the Board of Supervisors at their earliest convenience.

June Smashed 3 Heat Records

Along with the first day of summer, June also brought winter chills, heat waves which broke records, severe rain and wind storms and tornado warnings.

A chilly 40-degree wave settled on the Pontiac area June 1 and a 30 degree drop in temperatures were experienced in a 24 hour period.

This year's low for June 1 was only one degree above an 83-year record low of 39 in 1910. Last year a low of 30 kicked off the first day of June.

After several days of rather

cool and rainy weather the first part of June the temperature finally reached a high of 90 degrees on the 11th and remained in the 90's to snap three heat records.

On the 12th, a 62-year old heat record was broken when a blistering 95 degrees topped the old record in 1891 when the mercury climbed to 94.

On the 13th, a 1920 record of 90 degrees was broken when the thermometer rose to 96 and on the 14th for the third consecutive day a sizzling sun shoved the mercury

to a record-breaking 94 degrees.

The previous record for June 14 was 93 established in 1952.

Severe thunderstorms, on the 17th which dumped nearly four inches of rain on the Pontiac area, brought at least temporary relief from a week-long heat wave, but instead of a cool night's rest many residents faced new hardships with hundreds of basements flooded.

Streets became rivers, power lines fell and telephones were knocked out by torrential rains and lightning.

Pontiac firemen battled a three-hour blaze at Pontiac Motor Division's main plant when seeping rain started a chemical fire. The water mixed with sulphide, firemen said, causing spontaneous combustion.

A sudden rain and wind storm, with high winds up to 65 m.p.h., tore into Pontiac on the 24th, cracking large trees and causing excessive damage throughout Oakland County. One hundred trees were reported down in the city and one Michigan death was attributed to the storm.

Tornado warnings were posted the 26th for many parts of the state but all that struck Pontiac was a flash electrical storm with heavy rains.

The weather statistics show that the average high temperature for the month of June was 80.3 degrees and the average low was 59.6.

The total precipitation was 4.67 for the month of June, a little over last year's total which was 4.13.

House Restricts Aid to Schools

Proviso Denying Funds to Segregated Areas Is Attached to Bill

WASHINGTON (AP)—A bill to provide federal help to the states for building schools today faced a fate made doubly uncertain by the attachment of a provision to deny money to areas which continue to segregate children by race.

The House wrote in that provision late yesterday by a 164-116 vote on which members were not recorded by name. The action could be reversed on a normal roll call before the House acts finally on the measure, urged by the Eisenhower administration.

With Congress in recess today because of the holiday, the House will resume consideration of amendments tomorrow. Final action is expected late in the day or Friday.

The House agreed yesterday on a five-year program of federal grants to states at a rate of 300 million dollars in each year—1½ billions in all.

The administration had proposed 1½ billion dollars. A rival Democratic-sponsored plan, approved by the House Education Committee last year and hanging fire ever since, called for 400 million dollars in each of the next four years, for a total of \$1,600,000,000.

**House With Old Bones
Has No Tenant Appeal**

DENVER (AP)—Inspecting a long-vacant house he intended to rent, Lee Gonzales, 21, came across a large box in the basement. It contained bones that looked to Gonzales to be human.

Police doctors said the bones probably were those of a deer. Gonzales, who said he wasn't assured by this explanation, said he'd look elsewhere for a home.

**Author Michael Arlen
Leaves Estate of \$5,000**

NEW YORK (AP)—Michael Arlen, millionaire author in the 1920s, left an estate of only \$5,000.

His will filed in Surrogate's Court yesterday bequeathed the

money to his widow. He died June 23 at the age of 60. Arlen made a million dollars on his 1924 novel, "The Green Hat."

Some Currier and Ives prints which sold for six cents each in the late 19th century now bring \$1,000 each from collectors.

5,000th Pint of Blood

JACKSON (AP)—Southern Michigan Prison has donated its 5,000th pint of inmate blood to the Red Cross blood bank program, which started here in 1954. A mobile unit collected 529 pints of blood at the prison last week. There are 115

inmate-members of the Gallon Club, made up of those who have given a gallon or more of blood.

Brown mud, a waste product in the process of extracting aluminum from bauxite, is a good source of agricultural lime, says the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Hospital Boosts Rates

COLDWATER (AP)—A 10 per cent boost in rates has been announced by the Coldwater Community Health Center to cover rising costs of operation. Manager John W. Eisweiler Jr. said the increase will

raise the cost of a semi-private bed about 25 cents a day.

General George Washington created the Order of the Purple Heart on August 7, 1782, and it was revived by the war department on February 22, 1932, 200th birthday of the first president.

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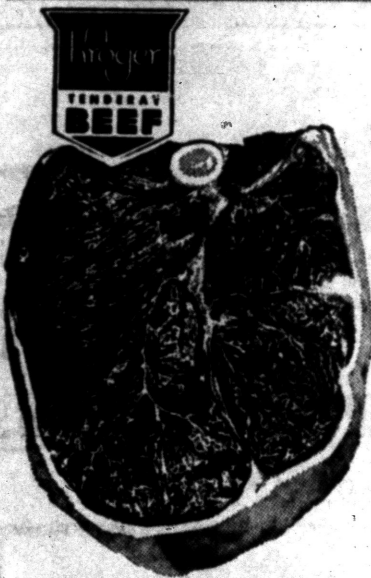
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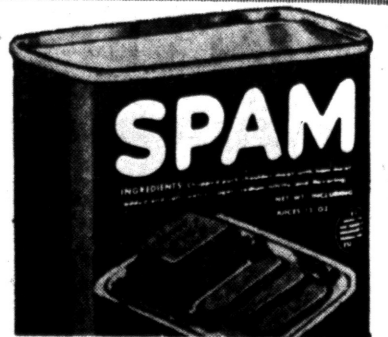
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